

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Room 415, Utah State Capitol

February 26, 2014

Members Present: Sen. Scott K. Jenkins, Chair
Sen. Allen M. Christensen
Sen. Jim Dabakis
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Ralph Okerlund
Sen. Evan J. Vickers

Members Excused: Sen. Peter C. Knudson

Staff Present: Brian Allred, Policy Analyst
Karen C. Allred, Committee Secretary

NOTE: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Chair Jenkins called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

MOTION: Sen. Dabakis moved to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2014 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

S.B. 23 Agricultural Amendments (*Sen. Hinkins*)

Sen. Hinkins explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke to the bill: Kyle Stevens, Deputy Commissioner, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food

Spoke for the bill: Redge Johnson, Citizen

Spoke against the bill: Dennis Linnell, Industry Business Owner

MOTION: Sen. Vickers moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

S.B. 73 Agricultural Environmental Amendments (*R. Okerlund*)

MOTION: Sen. Okerlund moved to replace the bill with 1st Sub. S.B. 73. The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Okerlund explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Kyle Stevens, Deputy Commissioner, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food

Walt Baker, Director, Utah Department of Environmental Quality,
Division of Water Quality

Sterling Brown, Vice President, Public Policy Utah Farm Bureau
Federation

Gordon Yonker, Executive Vice President, Utah Association of
Conservations Districts

Redge Johnson, Citizen

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Christensen and Sen. Vickers absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Christensen and Sen. Vickers absent for the vote.

Chair Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 9:26 a.m.

Sen. Scott K. Jenkins, Chair